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their not belonging to any distinct personality, *and which* only express in a vivid manner the result of the normal working of the faculties of memory and of reason" (58). But, if the translation has faults of style, the translator's Preface adopts a tone which is simply inexcusable. To suggest that "the scientific investigation of psychic phenomena may succeed in proving *the preamble of all religions*" (ix) is to put the prospective reader in a frame of mind the very opposite of that which the reading of the book demands, and which the writer of the book desires. Future editions of the work should be supplied with an index. E. B. T.

L'année psychologique. Publiée par A. BINET, avec la collaboration de H. BEAUNIS, TH. RIBOT, etc. Secrétaire de la rédaction, V. HENRI. Quatrième Année, 1898, pp. 849; Cinquième Année, 1899, pp. 902. Paris: Librairie C. Reinwald; Schleicher Frères, Editeurs.

These two volumes amply sustain the reputation that their predecessors have won for M. Binet and his coadjutors. Vol. IV opens with an article by MM. Binet and Vaschide upon psychology at the primary school. This is followed by seventeen papers, from the pens of the same authors, dealing with the measurement of muscular strength, respiration, etc., of school children. A critique of the oval hand-dynamometer and of the Mosso ergograph will be extremely useful to the experimental psychologist. M. Binet then contributes three essays upon topics akin to those mentioned, and M. Vaschide writes upon the influence of prolonged intellectual work upon the rapidity of the pulse. M. Bourdon discusses the application of the graphic method to the study of the intensity of the voice, and the results of recent investigations of the visual perception of depth. M. Leclère's "Description of an Object" is an interesting piece of individual psychology.

In Vol. V, M. Joteyko gives a 'revue générale' of muscular fatigue, and M. Henri of the 'muscular' sense. M. Binet writes on suggestibility, as a factor in individual psychology; and this author, with MM. Henri and Larguier, deals again with the questions of intellectual work and its measurement. There are, further, articles by M. Bourdon, on horizon illusions; by M. Clarapède, on stereognostic perception; by M. Clavière, on colored hearing; by Professor Zwaardemaker, on olfactory sensation; by M. Marage, on the phonographic study of vowel sounds and on cephalometry; by M. Blum, on paidology; by M. Larguier, on dynamometry; by M. Demeny, on chronophotographic apparatus; and by M. Manouvrier, on anthropological cephalometry. A good and varied programme!

Both volumes contain, besides these original articles, abstracts and reviews of the most important publications of their respective years, and a complete bibliography.

L'Année Psychologique, publiée par ALFRED BINET. Sixième Année. Schleicher Frères, Paris, 1900. pp. 774.

This most welcome volume differs from its predecessors in giving the first 492 pages to original articles, three of which are by Binet, and all of which are interesting and valuable.

The bibliography itself occupies 130 pages, so that only 123 are devoted to actual digests of a limited number of articles. These are so good that, despite the excellence of the original contributions, many will regret that more space was not given to this department of the Année.

L'Évolution du droit et la conscience sociale. Par L. TANON, président à la Cour de Cassation. Paris, F. Alcan, 1900. pp. 166. Price, fr. 2.50.

All legal rules and institutions have been determined, on the one hand, by utility and the conditions of living, and on the other by the successive stages by the developing social consciousness. The term "common good" is that which best covers the facts; it enables us to oppose to the principles of "natural law" a positive conception, of legal value, and according with the data of history.

David Hume, moraliste et sociologue. Par G. LECHARTIER. Paris, F. Alcan, 1900. pp. 278. Price, fr. 5.00.

Hume's work has at least the negative value of combating the exaggerated pretensions of the speculative reason. But it also forms a positive propædæutic to a true philosophy. M. Lechartier opens his book with a brief biography of his subject. Then follows an account of the ethical problem before Hume, whose own contribution to philosophy is considered in two chapters, under the titles of *Philosophie théorique* and *Philosophie pratique*. The volume concludes with a translation of "A Dialogue."

Leitfaden der physiologischen Psychologie, in 15 Vorlesungen. Von TH. ZIEHEN. Fünfte, theilweise umgearbeitete Aufl. Jena, G. Fischer, 1900. pp. v, 267.

The text of this fifth edition differs only in minor points from that of 1898. The references have been brought up to date, and four new cuts appear (Fig. 7, section through a *Papilla foliata* of a rabbit; Fig. 12, schema of the structure of the organ of Corti; Fig. 13, schema of the structure of the retina; and Fig. 23, schematic representation of the affective tone of an idea). Fuller treatment is accorded to the process of Recognition in Lect. X. By the use of a somewhat smaller type, the book has been kept down to its former size.

Mind and Body. By A. BAIN. pp. 49. Price, c. 15.

Illusions of the Senses. By R. A. PROCTOR. pp. 41. Price, c. 15.

Hypnotism: its History and Present Development. By F. BJOERNSTROEM. pp. 126. Price, c. 30.

Body and Mind, with Other Essays. By W. K. CLIFFORD. pp. 47. Price, c. 15.

Mental Suggestion. By J. OCHOROWICZ. pp. 96, 369. Price, \$1.20.

Nos. 13, 82, 113, 145, 152-8 of the Humboldt Library of Science. New York; The Humboldt Publ. Co., 1880-92.

We are glad to call the attention of our readers to the psychological volumes of the Humboldt Library. The parts are published in pamphlet form, with a page of about 23 by 15 cm. The earlier numbers were printed in double columns and (apparently) from photographic films: the text is small and broken. The later volumes have a single-line page, and the text is clear and good. In supplying a book like Clifford's "Essays" in this form and at this price, the publishers have deserved well of the psychological community.

Sensation et Mouvement, Études expérimentales de psycho-mécanique. Par CH. FÉRÉ. Deuxième édition, revue. Paris, F. Alcan, 1900. pp. 170. Price, fr. 2.50.

The first edition of this well-known little book was published in 1887. The text has now been revised, and minor changes in expression made at various points, while new notes and references have been added.